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### **Favorable Weather Conditions**

Favorable weather conditions throughout the state allowed farmers to finish planting of small grains and most row crops. Warm temperatures continue to accelerate crop growth across the state. For the week ending May 28, reports indicate that farmers had an average of 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. According to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service, major activities during the past week involved finishing seeding row crops, moving cattle and sheep to spring pasture, cultivating, fertilizing, irrigating, and applying insecticides and herbicides.

### **CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES**

	P	Planted 9	6	Emerged %						
	2000	1999	Avg.	2000	1999	Avg.				
Dry Peas	100	97	85	94	79	67				
Oats	91	85	87	68	61	70				
Lentils	96	98	87	77	71	59				
Corn	99	91	89	78	40	56				
Dry Beans	30	25	26	-	3	4				

## **CROP REPORT**

Planting of potatoes, corn, lentils, and oats is near completion. Emergence of barley, potatoes, corn, lentils, and dry peas is ahead of last year and the five year average. The first cutting of alfalfa hay continues to be ahead of last year and the five year average. High levels of pests were reported across the state. Cereal leaf beetle damage to spring wheat was reported in Canyon County.

Farmers are treating fields with the most damage. Franklin County reported cereal leaf beetles in some barley fields. Bannock County has experienced outbreaks of black grass bugs and reported two large populations of immature grasshoppers. High insect levels in canola and rapeseed crops were reported in Lewis County. Reports indicate that topsoil moisture was 7% very short, 18% short, 72% adequate and 3% surplus.

#### **GRAIN PROGRESS**

	Jointed	Booted	Headed
Winter Wheat	89	59	15
Spring Wheat	49	17	1
Barley	52	11	-

## **CONDITION INFORMATION**

Percentages	Very				
Winter Wheat	0	1	6	77	16
Irr. Water	2	2	18	48	30
Range & Pasture	1	11	16	63	9
Spring Wheat	0	1	8	82	9
Barley	0	1	11	77	11

### LIVESTOCK REPORT

Shipping of cattle and sheep to spring range continues. Livestock conditions for the week ending May 28, were reported to be good.

## **CROP PROGRESS REPORT PERCENTAGES FOR WEEK ENDING May 28, 2000**

Crop	_	North		S	Southwest South-Central				East						
Crop	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg	2000	1999	Avg
Barley															
Emerged	98	58	55	100	100	100	100	98	98	100	63	74	100	71	77
Potatoes															
Planted	NA	NA	NA	100	100	100	100	98	97	97	83	84	98	88	89
Emerged	NA	NA	NA	99	75	84	71	25	34	22	4	10	41	14	22
Alfalfa Hay 1st Cutting															
Harvested	-	2	1	78	33	24	39	7	10	6	0	1	30	9	8

Avg (1995-1999); NA = Very Small Percentage of Acreage in District

# Weather Data For The Week Ending Sunday, May 28, 2000 1/

		Tempe	rature <sup>2/</sup>		Grow	ring Degree I		Precipitation (Inches)					
Station	Station High Low Ave.		Dept. <sup>3/</sup>	40E			Total	Dept 3/	Month of		ch 1		
				•	Base	To Date	Normal		•	May	To Date	Normal	
North													
Coeur D'Alene	72	39	56	2 3	689	208	143	0.08	-0.93	1.04	6.13	6.47	
Lewiston	80	46	64	3	1124	423	269	0.13	-0.19	1.00	3.44	3.36	
Sand Point	73	37	57	1	562	136	75	0.22	-0.36	2.32	10.37	7.21	
Southwest													
Boise	84	49	66	6	1116	454	208	0.02	-0.28	1.04	4.58	3.45	
Caldwell	84	48	67	4	1152	468	330	0.00	-0.22	0.39	2.36	2.71	
Emmett 5/	87	50	66	5	1023	384	249	0.01	-0.27	0.58	3.01	3.32	
Mountain Home	84	45	67	7	1052	420	185	0.00	-0.17	0.63	2.68	2.58	
Parma	82	47	66	6	1128	453	227	0.00	-0.26	0.58	2.90	2.86	
Weiser	87	51	70	9	1172	490	228	0.02	-0.19	0.38	3.22	2.74	
Southcentral													
Buhl	82	49	65	8	957	357	99	0.00	-0.22	1.38	3.20	2.69	
Burley	87	48	67	10	1031	404	112	0.01	-0.25	1.05	1.92	2.79	
Hill City	74	35	57	5	493	102	20	0.00	-0.25	0.71	2.68	3.01	
Hagerman	87	45	68	5	1108	464	338	0.02	-0.15	0.60	1.60	2.49	
Malta 5/	82	45			871	295	122	0.21	-0.18	0.67	1.87	2.99	
Twin Falls	83	46	65	8	866	291	102	0.02	-0.24	1.21	3.98	3.00	
East													
Aberdeen 5/	80	46			612	189	57	0.00	-0.27	0.45	1.00	2.70	
Grace	76	40	63	9	632	192	32	0.19	-0.21	0.90	4.48	4.26	
Idaho Falls	80	39	61	6	635	178	64	0.09	-0.24	1.48	4.32	3.09	
Malad City	84	41	67	12	1020	402	83	0.02	-0.43	0.16	0.17	3.87	
Pocatello	84	38	64	8	769	242	90	0.16	-0.14	1.14	2.70	3.72	
Rexburg	77	40	60	6	632	194	46	0.04	-0.46	0.40	1.17	4.16	
Salmon	75	36	58	1	706	181	93	0.07	-0.24	0.45	0.74	2.35	

<sup>1/</sup> Weekly summary provided by the Western Regional Climate Center with data reported by the National Weather Service. When data is quality controlled by the National Climate Center the accumulated growing degree days and precipitation values are updated. 2/-- indicate missing or incomplete data 3/ Departure from normal. 4/ Totals from March 1. Growing degree days are estimated from neighboring sites for stations with missing or incomplete data. 5/ Precipitation totals are only for days reports were received, no estimates were made for missing data.

## Daily High/Low Four Inch Soil Temperatures

Station	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Average 1/	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Buhl	82	62	82	62	81	61	76	60	68	53	72	54	77	57	77	58
Emmett			87	74	86	72	87	73	81	71	85	70	80	72	84	72
Parma	61	59			65	62	66	62	65	63	68	65	65	63	65	62
Sandpoint	62	56	63	56	63	56	65	53	63	55	58	54	58	53	62	55
Twin Falls	75	56	76	59			75	60	69	57	69	56	72	55	73	57

<sup>1/</sup> Averages are only for days reports were received. -- Missing or Incomplete Data.

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